

# **EXHIBIT A**



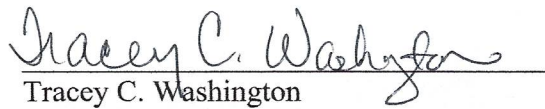
parents, educators, and supporters who desire to keep Carver Middle School open. To this end, the Coalition opposed the Meridian School District's closure of Carver Middle School. I provided testimony on behalf of the Coalition during the federal court's August 11, 2022 evidentiary hearing to oppose the District's modification motion of the desegregation plan to close Carver Middle School. The Coalition remains opposed to that motion, and it urges the federal court to make a ruling on that motion as soon as possible.

6. I have not expressed support for the elementary-school reconfiguration plan. Nor has the Coalition taken an official position on that plan. Instead, the Coalition voted to wait to see how the federal court rules on the motion to close Carver Middle School, which has been closed for this 2022-2023 school year.

I, Tracey C. Washington, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

Meridian, Mississippi

Dated: June 8, 2023

  
Tracey C. Washington  
on behalf of the Carver Community Coalition



 6/8/2023